(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार इस घोषणा को रद्द कराने के लिए कोई कार्यवाही कर रही है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है?

गृह मंत्री (श्री लाल कृष्ण आडवाणी): (क) यूनाईटेड किंगडम सरकार द्वारा प्रस्तुत सूचना के अनुसार, नेता जी सुभाष चन्द्र बोस का नाम उनके द्वारा तैयार की गयी अपराधियों की किसी सूची में सम्मिलित नहीं किया गया है।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता है।

Ban of Lottery

238. SHRI PRAFULL GORADIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many persons have committed suicide after suffering losses in lotteries, State-wise;

(b) whether Government propose to ban lotteries throughout the country; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) Specific information about the persons who have committed suicide after suffering losses in lotteries is not maintained by the Central Government.

(b) and (c) A proposal to enact a comprehensive legislation to ban lotteries in the country is under consideration.

Deterioration of law and order in Delhi

239. SHRI SITARAM KESRI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for deteriorating law and order situation in the country; particularly in the capital; and

(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government to control this menace?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) Despite some areas of concern, the law and order situation in the country is under control. The major concerns centre around Pak-sponsored terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir, inter-linked and externally supported subversive activites of militant groups in the North-East and the violence perpetrated by the Left Wing extremist groups. In addition, caste and ethnic conflicts, as also the sharpening divide along communal lines in some states, continue to exert pressure on the law and order machinery.

'Public Order' and 'Police' being State subjects, it is for concerned State Governments to devise various methods and take concrete steps to improve the law and order situation in the States. At the Central level, action is taken to facilitate coordination of the anti-terrorist operations of different States and to improve flow of information useful for control of their activities among the States. Further, help is being provided to the State Governments in terms of financial assistance for modernisation of police, supply of improved weapons, deployment of para-military forces etc. In certain special circumstances, financial assistance has also been given to some of the affected States over and above the on-going allocations for modernisation of police and supply of weapons.

As regards the situation in the NCT of Delhi, there has been some increase in the registered/reported crimes, The following steps have been taken by the Government to improve the law and order situation in the NCT of Delhi.

1. Intensification of beat patrolling especially from 6.00 P.M. to 10.00 P.M.

2. High visibility of police in vulnerable areas.